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In re application: **Chen et al.**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action dated February 3, 2010 finally rejecting claims 37-40, 42, 43, and 45.

A fee of \$540.00 is believed to be necessary. Please charge this fee to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457. In the event that any additional fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457.

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